

Claims:

1. A method to protect a transgene from silencing, wherein an insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced concurrently with the transgene.
2. The method to protect a transgene from silencing according to Claim 1, wherein the transgene is introduced using a viral vector.
3. The method to protect a transgene from silencing according to Claim 2, wherein said viral vector is a lentiviral vector or a retroviral vector.
4. The method to protect a transgene from silencing according to any of Claim 1 to Claim 3, wherein said insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced in anti-sense orientation.
5. A method for introducing a gene, wherein an insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced concurrently with a transgene so as to protect the transgene from silencing.
6. The method for introducing a gene according to Claim 5, wherein gene transfer is performed using a viral vector.
7. The method for introducing a gene according to Claim 6, wherein said viral vector is a lentiviral vector or a retroviral vector.
8. The method for introducing a gene according to any of Claim 5 to Claim 7, wherein said insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced in anti-sense orientation.
9. A method for production of a vector, wherein an insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced into the vector so as to protect the vector from silencing.
10. The method for production of a vector according to Claim 9, wherein said vector is a viral vector.
11. The method for production of a vector according to Claim 9 or Claim 10, wherein said vector is a lentiviral vector or a retroviral vector.
12. The method for production of a vector according to any of Claim 9 to Claim 11, wherein said insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced in anti-sense orientation.
13. A vector for introducing a transgene comprising an insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene so as to protect the transgene from silencing.
14. The vector according to Claim 13, wherein said vector is a viral vector.

15. The vector according to Claim 13 or Claim 14, wherein said vector is a lentiviral vector or a retroviral vector.

16 The vector according to any of Claim 13 to Claim 15, wherein said insulator from sea urchin arylsulfatase gene is introduced in anti-sense orientation.